

application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-65, 69, and 75-88, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter presented therein.

Please amend Claims 66-68 and 70-74, and add new Claim 89 to read as follows. A marked-up copy of the amended claims, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.

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66. (Amended) An image communication method that utilizes a plurality of Internet facsimile modes and a G3 facsimile mode, said method comprising the steps of:  
detecting an Internet facsimile mode of a communication partner's apparatus during communication in the G3 facsimile mode; and  
transmitting an image in the Internet facsimile mode of the communication partner's apparatus detected in said detecting step,  
wherein the plurality of Internet facsimile modes comprise a simple mode, a full mode, and a real time mode.

67. (Amended) An image communication method according to Claim 66, wherein the detected Internet facsimile mode of the communication partner's apparatus is stored, and

wherein image data is transmitted in accordance with the stored Internet facsimile mode of the communication partner's apparatus.

68. (Amended) An image communication method according to Claim 67, further comprising the step of determining whether or not the communication is a first communication operation with the communication partner's apparatus in the Internet facsimile mode,

A1 wherein image data is transmitted in the G3 facsimile mode in a first communication operation, based on a determination that the communication with the communication partner's apparatus is the first communication operation in the Internet facsimile mode, and

wherein image data is transmitted in the Internet facsimile mode of the communication partner's apparatus, based on a determination that the communication with the communication partner's apparatus is not a first communication operation in the Internet facsimile mode.

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A2 70. (Amended) An image communication method according to Claim 66, wherein, when shifting to the Internet facsimile mode, one of the simple mode, the full mode and the real time mode is selected from among the plurality of Internet facsimile modes possessed by the communication partner's apparatus according to predetermined priority, and communication in the selected Internet facsimile mode is performed.

71. (Amended) An image communication method according to Claim 70, wherein selection is performed in order of the real time mode, the full mode, and the simple mode.

72. (Amended) An image communication method according to Claim 70, wherein, when the simple mode or the full mode of Internet facsimile has been selected, an Internet facsimile communication apparatus is caused to transmit an E-mail in which an image file formed in accordance with the selected mode is added.

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73. (Amended) An image communication method according to Claim 72, wherein the image file comprises a TIFF file, and wherein an Internet address comprises an E-mail address.

74. (Amended) An image communication method according to Claim 70, wherein, when the real time mode has been selected, an Internet facsimile communication apparatus is caused to convert a procedure signal and image data into TCP packets, transmit the TCP packets according to a T30 facsimile procedure, and convert TCP packets received from the communication partner's apparatus into a T30 frame.

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89. (New) An image communication apparatus that utilizes a plurality of Internet facsimile modes and a G3 facsimile mode, said apparatus comprising: